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55 of 65 Boards Open For Improved Staffing

Fifty-five of 65 Interagency Boards of Civil Service Examiners were operational at the end of October, and the remainder will become operational by the end of the year.

During the coming year, the 65 Interagency Boards will gradually absorb the examining workload of the remaining agency boards of examiners so that by the end of 1967, the IAB network will be fully operational.

The immensity of the Federal examining operation was described recently by Donald R. Harvey, director of the Bureau of Recruiting and Examining in the Civil Service Commission.

Last year, he reported, the system evaluated more than 2 million applications, answered more than 5 million employment inquiries, and provided candidates for more than 400,000 appointments in every conceivable occupational field.

The changeover to a network of 65 Interagency boards from more than 700 single agency boards will be the outcome of four years of planning.

Each Interagency Board will provide a comprehensive program of Federal job information; in other words, a one-stop job information center.

Board membership will consist of representatives of all Federal agencies employing personnel in the area served by the board. Executive secretaries and Board staff members will be employees of the Civil Service Commission.